SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1042

By Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Elizabeth C. Conner, 2010 Valedictorian of Sevier County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth C. Conner is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2010 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Elizabeth Conner has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Elizabeth Conner has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous school clubs and organizations, both at Sevier County High School and the Tennessee Governor's Academy of Mathematics and Science, including the National Beta Club, the Teen Board, the 4-H Club, the Science Club, the Philosophy Club, the Computer Science Club, and the Yearbook Staff; and

WHEREAS, recognized as a leader among her peers, Elizabeth served as Secretary and Class Historian of the Student Government Association and was nominated to both the People to People Leadership Summit and the National Young Leaders State Conference; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, she is a member of the National Honor Society, the University of Tennessee Phi Sigma Theta National Honor Society, and the University of Tennessee Sigma Alpha Lambda National Leadership and Honors Organization; and

WHEREAS, a United States Achievement Academy All-American Scholar, Ms. Conner has also been named to the National Honor Roll and received the United States Achievement Academy's Who's Who in Leadership and Service Award; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished athlete as well as a scholar, Elizabeth Conner has been a member of both the volleyball and basketball teams as well as a member of the cross country club; and

WHEREAS, an active member of her community, Elizabeth has lent her time and talents as a volunteer to such charitable organizations as Second Harvest Food Bank, Fort Sanders Senior Nursing Home, March of Dimes, Toys for Tots, Letters to the Troops, the Tennessee School for the Deaf, and the Sevierville Public Library; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Conner's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Conner's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Tim and Debbie Conner, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Conner's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2010 Sevier County High School Valedictorian, Elizabeth C. Conner, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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